Memorandum

Mr. Ramon J. Hirsig Executive Director

Date: September 25, 2009

From: David J. Gau, Deputy Director

Property and Special Taxes Department

Subject: 2010 Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge Rate

(October 2009 Administrative Consent Agenda)

In Accordance with sections 41030, 41031, and 41032 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, the Department of General Services (DGS) annually determines and notifies the Board of the surcharge rate estimated to produce sufficient revenue to fund the current year's statewide 911 program costs. Once the rate is fixed by the Board and published in its minutes, registered service suppliers are notified that the rate applies to charges for intrastate telephone communication services made on or after November 1.

Attached is the September 9, 2009 notification from Public Safety Communications Division of the Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO).* It has determined that based on revenue projections, existing reserves, and anticipated expenditures for the 2009-10 fiscal year, the current surcharge rate of 0.50 percent should **be** continued. I recommend the Board's concurrence with the continuation of the 0.50 percent surcharge rate for calendar year 2010.

With your approval, this item will be placed the Board's October 2009 Administrative Consent Calendar.

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cc: Ms. Diane Olson Ms. Lynn Bartolo

Approved:

Ramon J. Hirsig, Executive Director

BOARD APPROVED

At the Board Meeting

Diane Olson, Chief

Board Proceedings Division

On May 10, 2009, the Governor's IT Reorganization Plan became effective to consolidate statewide information technology functions under the OCIO. The Department of General Services Telecommunications Division is now the Public Safety Communications Division within the OCIO.

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September 9,2009

Ramon Hirsig, Executive Director Board of Equalization 450 N Street, MIC-73 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Hirsig:

As stipulated by Revenue and Taxation Code Sections 41030 and 41031, the Office of the State Chief Information Officer (OCIO) shall determine no later than October 1 of each year, a surcharge rate that will produce sufficient revenues to fund the expenditures authorized in support of California's 9-1-1 program.

Based on revenue projections, existing reserves, and anticipated expenditures for the 2009/10 fiscal year, the OCIO, Public Safety Communications Division, is recommending the surcharge rate remain at the current level of 0.50 percent, the minimum allowed by statute.

If you require additional information, please contact Daphne Rhoe, Chief, California 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Office, at (916) 657-9911.

Sincerely,

GARY R. GROOTVELD Acting Deputy Director

Public Safety Communications Division

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cc: Lynn Bartolo, Chief, Excise Taxes and Fees Division, Board of Equalization Erika Sperbeck, Chief, Office of Fiscal Services, Department General Services Bill Liu, Chief, Financial Management Branch, OCIO Daphne Rhoe, Chief, California 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Office, OCIO